Trouble Among Union Molders Over a Large Order.

WYLIE AVE. CABLE ROAD.

The First Contracts for the Iron Work About to be Placed.

OLIVER BROS. MAY GET THE JOB.

A Legislative Move to Tax All Alien Workmen Among Us.

INTERESTING BUDGET OF LABOR NEWS.

District Master Workman I. N. Ross yesterday issued a call for a special meeting of L. A. 1030, composed of iron molders, of which Mr. Ross is the local Master Workman. In the circular it was not stated what the object of the meeting was, but every member was requested to be on hand "for the transaction of important business to the craft."

When questioned in regard to the matter, Mr. Ross positively refused to state the object of the meeting, saying it was only a slight matter of minor importance to the molders and under no consideration would he say anything about it until after the meeting. From another source, however, the news was gathered. The meeting is not only of paramount importance to the molders, but to the firm of Oliver Bros. & Phillips. It is also pretty nearly the commencement of work on the Center and Wylie avenue caple line, which is now so nearly an established fact.

A well-known Knight of Labor, who is a member of the local, was seen last night and asked in regard to the meeting. Like the District Master Workman he was as mum as an oyster, but when positively assured his name should not be used, said: WHY THIS UNUSUAL MOVE.

"Some time ago we had some trouble with Oliver Bros. & Phillips in regard to the number of hours' work to be done each day in the molding shop. We held a special meeting at the time and decided to allow no union molder to work more than ten hours. Piece work was also abolished, and the men worked by the day. At the time the firm was rushed with work for the Fifth avenue Traction Company, and, as it had to be done in a certain time, wanted the men to work by the piece in order to stimulate them to work harder. By doing this the firm would get more work out of the men in a given time.

"Several days ago the firm received a request for a bid on 3,000 tons of 'yokes,' to be used on some new cable road in town. I think it is the Central Traction Company's line, but would not say positively. The 'yokes' are the heavy frames which hold the conduit in place, and have caused a lot of trouble in our assembly. When the 'yokes' for the Fifth avenue and Penn avenue lines dries in town, they caused lots of grumbling t from the union men. At every meeting of secondly the motter come un and for a long time, the standing password into the Murrysville yesterday morning, which meetings was 'vokes.'

FIGURING BOTH WAYS. "When Oliver Bros. & Phillips received the request for a bid on the order, to be completed within a certain time, they notified their molders, and asked what the latter would charge for making them by the piece. A great many of the men strongly objected to making them by the piece, and wanted to do the work at their regular rate of wages per day. A number who see big money in the job, want to take so much per yoke' and work as many hours each day as they choose. As this is against the rule of the union, the latter have asked for the special meeting to bring the matter up

again.
"If we decide to accept pay for piece work the rate per yoke will be fixed and the numher of hours each man will be allowed to backs by compressing eight days work in a week and getting the same amount of money we would for six days. If we decide to con tinue working by the day if the firm gets the job, the company may object and try to force the men to do piece work. In that event there will be another strike. Ido not anticipate any trouble, however.

The "yokes" are great heavy castings, and when in the mold have to be moved sometimes by the aid of a crane. They weigh 700 or 800 pounds, and on account of their size a great many men object to working them by the piece. It takes two molders . and one helper a whole day to make five of

As the traction company has to begin

work in the early spring it will be neces-

sary to turn the "yokes" out as rapidly as possible. The order for the equipment of the whole line will necessarily have to be divided up among a number of iron A great many of those in use on the Fifth avenue and Penn avenue lines were made in the East. At the meeting this evening the officers of the local assembly will be installed.

FREIGHT ASSOCIATION.

A Scheme to Abolish the Trunk Line, Central

Traffic and Western. C. S. Wight, General Freight Agent of the Baltimore and Ohio road, and D. L. Gray, Manager of the Union Line at Columbus, left last night for New York to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trunk Line Association to-day at that place. The object of the meeting is to try

and arrange for the abolition of the Trunk

Line Association, the Central Traffic Asso-

ciation and the freight association west of

Chicago. If this is done a new association, which will embrace all the roads now in the three organizations, will be formed. The resignation of Chairman Blanchard, of the Central Traffic Association, has not yet been acted upon. If this association disbands Mr. Blanchard will probably be placed at the head of the new association. Under the new plan executive officials think the rates could be better maintained.

THE SECRETARY RETURNED.

Typographical Union No. 7 Will Not Lose That Four Hundred at All. The supposed defaulting Financial Secretary of Typographical Union No. 7 returned to the city last night, and promises to make good the loss to the union. He says he did

not run away, and can produce the money when called upon to do so. At the meeting of No. 7, which will occur Sunday next, in addition to the delegates to he elected to the national convention in June next, at Denver, Col., which was written in detail in THE DISPATCH on the 21st inst., new officers of the union will be For President Edward Hope, of THE DISPATCH, will be renominated,

The Gas Gave Out.

The mills along Penn avenue had to shut mains. Abreak occurred at Murraysville. | hot metal.

PRO AND CON.

The Bill Introduced in Harrisburg for Tax on Foreign Labor is Indorsed by President Campbell.

The bill introduced by Representative Campbell yesterday at Harrisburg, taxing every employer 25 cents per day for every oreign laborer in his employ, is apt to raise a great deal of controversy among men directly interested in the measure. To obtain the opinion of President James

Campbell, of the Window Glass Workers' Association, a visit was made to that gen-tleman's residence last night by a reporter for this paper. When questioned upon the subject, he said:

subject, he said:

Of course I should like to read the entire bill before I would pass my judgment upon the merits of its contents. But as far as I am able to see from what you tell me, I believe that the bill is directed toward decreasing the influx of foreign labor, and if that is the object of the bill, I say, let it be passed by all means. The result of the measure will have the tendency of keeping a foreign element away from our native industries, which is now gradually undermining the prosperity of the American workingman. Mind you, I do not want to be understood as if I were against all immigration. No: ingman. Mind you, I do not want to be understood as it I were against all immigration. No:
Not at all, but I am aliuding to that class of
foreigners who have been imported into this
country during the last year or so, to work on
pipe lines, in coal mines or on railroads. In
other words, I should be glad to see contract
labor stopped, and I think this bill gets at the
matter rather effectively.

A prominent glass manufacturer of the Southside, who was also asked for his opinion on the subject, stated:

I do not want to be quoted as to anything I may say about that bill, because I should like to read the whole of it first; but I think that the introduction of such a tax on the employer would be an injustice to the respectable class of foreigners who come to this country. While I do not believe that those classes of foreigners who only come to this country to enrich themselves deserve any consideration from us, there are constantly so many good men coming here who turn out to be excellent citizens, and I do not think it fair that they should suffer for the sins of the bad ones. No! I think that bill, if passed, will stop a good many good people from coming here, and therefore I cannot indorse its

THAT BIG BRADDOCK FOUNDRY.

Hends of the Edgar Thomson Expect It to

be Rendy in Three Months. Forsten Berg, head draughtsman of the gain some knowledge for the benefit of the immense foundry to be located in Braddock. Active work will be commenced upon his return and preparations are already made for leveling the site. Machinery has been ordered and the firm expect the foundry to be in active operation within three

THE MASTER PAINTERS.

They Will Meet To-Day-A Grand Banquet to be Given This Evening. The Pennsylvania State Association of Master Painters and Decorators will meet at the Monongahela House to-day for a two days' session. A full programme of the meeting was published in THE DISPATCH a month ago. The feature of to-day's session will be a grand banquet this evening.

THE COURT WAS ABSENT.

Lavine's Suit Against Master Workm Ross Did Not Come Off.

The suit of District Master Workman Ross, charged by Richard Lavine with owing the latter \$61 due him by District Assembly 3, did not come up for a hearing yesterday morning, owing to the non-ap-pearance of the Court, Alderman Doughty.

A BURSTING GAS PIPE

were being made at a number of iron foun. | Caused a Shortage of Fuel and the Closing of Most of the Mills.

There was a break in one of the mains of Natural Gas Con caused some of the departments in most of this reduction, will give for taxable purthe mills in the city to be shut down. The poses, in round numbers, \$177,000,000; so main is the 12-inch pipe on the Walker farm, which line runs over the hill at Springdale and connects with the city main. The break occurred, presumably, on ac-

count of a flaw in the pipe. The accident was discovered at 9 o'clock vesterday morning, and men were set to work to repair the break. It was stated at the Philadelphia company's office that everything would be in shape again by 5 o'clock last night to save the night turn in the mills from laving off.

CAPTURED IN MILWAUKEE.

Two of a Gang Who Robbed Messenger Sturtevant Arrested.

Two of the four men who robbed Joseph Sturtevant, a messenger at Dilworth, Porter & Co., of \$1,000 at the entrance of the Penn Milwaukee. They gave their names as Willis and William Rodgers. Their right names are Barney Burch and William Rob-dent. James Phelan,

It is not known whether they were arrested in Milwaukee for a crime or only as suspicious characters. They will be brought back to this city to answer a charge of highway robbery made against them by Mr. Dilworth.

UNDER THE NEW RULES.

Freight Agents Now Watching the Presidents of Opposition Lines. Freight agents in the city are wondering

what will happen next. The orders which were received from headquarters threatening dismissal of any agent who will cut a rate has resulted in a drop in the total of business transacted during the past month. The tonnage has been more equitably divided and the receipts have been less in some cases notwithstanding that card rates have

The agents are not watching each other at present, but have their eyes on the Presi-dents of the opposition lines, from whom any cut in rates will now come.

NOTHING BUT TALK.

The Allegheny Citizens' Charter Com

Holds a Meeting. The committee of Allegheny citizens who were appointed on Saturday night to draw up a new code of laws for that city met last night, but beyond discussing the matter in-

tormally, did nothing.

The organization placed Commodore
Kountz in the chair and B. B. Scandrett was made Secretary. All of the members had opinions to offer, and were of the belief that the duty to be performed was one that required careful study.

A COALBOAT RISE

A Large Surplus in the Lower Markets Will Keep the Boats Here.

The rivers reached a coal boating stage yesterday. At 2 o'clock there was 13 feet in the Monongahela. O'Neil & Co. sent out eight barges with the Enterprise to Cincinnati. The other firms would not send out any coal on account of the crowded condition of the lower markets.

Monkeyed With a Pistol. A young son of Thomas Kirkwood, of McKeesport, dropped a loaded revolver vesterday, when it exploded, the ball entering

his leg above the knee, inflicting a serious

The Explosion Becomes Fatal. Mrs. Wardsweiler, the woman who was burned at a lamp explosion last week on for court trial yesterday. the Southside, was reported last night to be

dying from her injuries. Severely Burnt by Metal. down yesterday morning owing to a scarcity | Charles Bradden, of the Black Diamond | the Louisiana State Lottery. McKeesport of gas from the Philadelphia Company's Steel Works, was badly burnt last night by has been a prolific field for the sale of lot-Charles Bradden, of the Black Diamond

IT WILL BE 12 MILLS.

The Rate You Pay in Taxes This Year, on Pittsburg Property.

AN ITEM OF VITAL MOMENT TO ALL. Gratifying Result of the Assessors' Arduous

THE RATE IS REDUCED BY ONE-THIRD.

Tax Canvass.

The one vital result of the city assessors recent arduous labors comes to the front now for the first time. "What will the harvest be?" has been the question with them in their diligent effort to reap according to the spirit and letter of the law. "What will the millage be?" has been the question with the thousands of taxpayers who contribute to Pittsburg's municipal granary.

Well, as near as it is possible now to state it, on the basis of the assessors' estimated total, yesterday submitted to Councils, it will be 12 mills.

The prompt preliminary report of the Board of Assessors of this valuation of the taxable property of the city, to hold for three years, but not yet reduced by them officially to millage, was presented to Councils yesterday. Heretofore this information has not come forward except through the Finance Committee and upon the latest day possible-January 31.

This triennial assessment is a new departure, in that it requires a cash valuation and includes, in the new city charter, the proviso (about which there is a question) that no property shall be assessed at less than the last recorded sale. It is to

THE CREDIT OF THE BOARD that, as stated in their communication to Councils, they have evinced and clearly shown a desire to have ample publicity given the work they have had in hand, and Edgar Thomson Steel Works is making a this has resulted in widespread information tour of the Eastern foundries io order to and in anxiety on the part of taxpayers generally to ascertain their "worth" as discovered by the inquiry made under the new law. This has resulted in the visit of thousands of citizens to the office, and of thousands of applications by mail to the office for transcript, yet, notwithstanding the throng found there daily, our reporters have failed to see or bear of any bad feeling, while their inquiries suggest the fact, that there is a general confidence in the efforts of the men in charge to give satisfaction. The apparent satisfaction in the announcement of the result of appeals is indicative of this, and there is no hesitancy on the part of the board to give further examination where errors of judgment or in calculation are suggested.

The number of appeals being so great has prevented an examination of all, and hence the delay in getting at the actual amount of the total valuation. The amount reported to Councils is, however, very near the

RESULT OF THE CANVASS

now drawing to a close. The question of millage is uppermost, and worthy of con-The total of the last triennial valuation after deducting the percentage for lost and exonerated taxes and the change required by classification from city (whole), to rural or suburban (two-thirds), and agricultural (one-half), was \$119,013,000. The reduction on account of classification, etc., as stated, was \$17,000,000, but the growth of the city will almost surely reduce this so far as the

classification is concerned to, say, \$14,000,-The Board's estimate, \$191.000.000 less that, to realize the amount estimated for the past year, there is likely to be a levy of less than 12 mills, being a reduction of about

33% per cent. It is an undoubted fact that the small property holders have, heretofore, been assessed very closely to their actual valuation; but, under the new order of things, they will not, generally, be much increased, their more fortunate neighbors and fellow citizens having large holdings will be so brought up and to such a proper standard as must inure to the benefit of the small

CALVARY CEMETERY OFFICERS MEET To Elect Officers for the Year and Hear Different Reports.

The corporators of Calvary Cemetery held their annual meeting at the episcopal resibuilding, on Penn avenue, on the day be- dence of St. Paul's Cathedral vesterday aftfore last Christmas, have been captured in ernoon and elected the following officers for

President, Rt. Rev. R. Phelan: Vice President. James Phelan, Esq.; Treasurer, John D. Scully; Secretary, Charles F. McKenna; Managers, A. F. Keating, John C. Rijev, Rev. J. Kearney, P. Kane, Esq., and H. Mackin. The report of Engineer James S. Devlin showed that \$14,500 had been expended during the pust year for macadamizing, grading, fencing, gate-houses, etc., and that \$114,000 had been expended in all by the

incorporators. Mr. Devlin also stated that Chief Biglow had in contemplation the laying out and paving, at an early date, of a street intersecting Hazlewood avenue, on which the cemetery fronts. A large force of laborers will be kept at work during the coming year completing the laying out of the grounds and building

gatehouses, offices, etc., the contract for the same having been already let. LAST OF THE LUCKLESS 13.

The Two Remaining Newsboy Thieves Arrested Last Night. Detective Fitzgerald and Officer Eagen, shortly after 11 o'clock last night, arrested William Collins and Walter Calums, boys,

accused of belonging to the crowd of newsboys who tunneled into the Wood street ruins and stole a lot of goods. About \$20 worth of goods, in the shape of pocketbooks, trinkets, etc., were found in the boys' pockets. They make the number of boys ar-

A Site Chosen. The Allegheny sub-Police Committee last evening decided to recommend the purchase of a plot of ground on Ohio street, near the Troy Hill road, as a site for a patrol stable. price is \$1,500. The Committee on Horses was authorized to purchase a new

Incorrigibility Against Intemperance. Julia Rvan, who was arrested on the Southside last night on a charge of incorrigibility, preferred against her by her father, claimed in the station house that she had left her home on account of her parents' intemperate habits.

The Training School a Saccess. The annual meeting of the contributors of the Allegheny General Hospital will be held this afternoon. Directors and officers will be elected. The training school for nurses at the hospital has been very suc-

He Gave Bail. Patrick Conway, charged before Alderman Porter with larceny, assault and battery and fraud, by Miss Rose Trenlay, a boarding house keeper, gave \$1,100 bail

Hitting it Rich. John Brown, a prominent mill worker at McKeesport, has drawn a \$25,000 prize from

SOUTHSIDE HOSPITAL

Discussed Last Evening by the Southside Medical Society-Patients Suffering for the Lack of One-Modes of Raising the

Funds. The Southside Medical Society held its regular meeting last evening at Dr. Connor's, on Mt. Oliver. After the usual programme had been gone through with, the subject of a hospital for the Southside

the subject of a hospital for the Southside was brought up and discussed by nearly all present. Dr. Thomas first started the ball rolling. He said:

It is cleary evident to all that we are sadly in need of a hospital here on the Southside, and there is no danger but what a project of this kind would receive the hearty indorsement of this society. The Southside with its out-laying wards now numbers nearly 70,000 population, consisting principally of artisans, mechanics and those that fill hospitals. And, that we need one is every day manifested by cases brought to our notice where injured do not receive proper care because of the distance to the other hospitals and their inability to be on the scene of action and provide for all cases of accidents. Dr. Burleigh said: "The need is evident

enough, and if some one outside of the pro-fession would only take hold of it, it seems to me that enough funds might be raised to start it, when an appropriation could be gotten. A good way would be to hire a solicitor to work it up."

Dr. Mundorff stated that it was hard to get patients into the hospitals when they should be, and cited numerous cases where the patients suffered from that cause.

Dr. Kress said: "There are not less than O doctors on the Southside, and there is not one but could afford to give a month's fees toward establishing a hospital, but the cor-porations, and the ones whose hearts are in this subject, are the ones to work it up." The meeting then adjourned to the dining room, where a spread was set out by Dr. Conner. The subject will probably be discussed again.

THE SOUTH PENN.

D. Herbert Hostetter and H. C. Frick Off for New York Last Evening.

D. Herbert Hostetter, the young gentleman who is figuring so prominently in the South Penn Railroad scheme, left last night for New York. He said he was going over on private business, and his trip had no connection with the South Penn. He stated that he was not going to New York to see the Vanderbilts, and he did not know whether the Vanderbilt people or Mr. Frick had yet signed the agreement.

On the same train with Mr. Hostetter was Mr. H. C. Frick. The latter gentleman stated he had not been aware of Mr. Hostetter's presence until-within a few minutes prior to the time the reporter spoke to him. He also stated he was not going to New York on South Penn business. He had vet signed the agreement, but was ready to do so when the Vanderbilts did.

COLLISION AND DERAILMENT On the Citizens' Line-A Wagon Wrecked

and a Lady Injured. About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon can 204, of the Penn avenue cable line, collided with an iron wagon, belonging to Alexander Black. One side of the car was entirely torn out by the tongue of the wagon, slightly injuring a lady passenger, who lives on Thirtieth street. She was taken to E. A. McCullough's drugstore, and was able to continue on her way. One of the horses belonging to the wagon was so seriously injured that he will probably have to be shot

and the wagon was entirely smashed. A little later car 227, of the same line. jumped the track at the Twenty-eighth street railroad crossing. After a delay of 15 minutes it was righted.

MORE GOODS RECOVERED. Under Lock and Key. Peter Lehany, James Kemp, William Buckley, Ed O'Donnell, Charles McCarley, William Keogh, Harry and Nathan Klein and Nathan Schwartz have been arrested

for taking part in the robbery of H. Watts & Co.'s book store, No. 445 Wood street. The goods recovered vesterday morning were found in the room of Lawrence Brown, formerly employed in a Wood street estab-lishment. The value of the goods amounts to about \$500. Brown has been taken into custody for receiving stolen goods.

WHY LIZZIE LEFT HOME.

A Young Girl Runs Away Because Her Parents Object to Her Bean. Lizzie Brent, a girl 17 years of age. was arrested yesterday on Old avenue and taken to the Twenty-eighth ward station house by Detective Kelly to await the arrival of her father, who had written a letter to the police authorities in this city,

stating that his daughter had run away from home. The parents of the girl, who live in Elicott, near Baltimore, Md., were imme-diately telegraphed to. Lizzie stated that she ran away from home, because her parents objected to a sweetheart of hers.

THE PROJECT IS FAVORED.

The Widening of Diamond Street is Rapidly Becoming a Fact. The project put forward in THE DIS-PATCH a weekor so ago for the widening of Diamond street between Wood and Market streets has been so far developed that a number of residents on Diamond street presented a petition to Councils yesterday, asking their consent to the project. Chief of Department of Public Works Bigelow expressed himself very tavorably

QUAKER CITY ATTORNEYS

To Argue an Infringement Suit for a Pittsburg Company. F. T. Chambers and Gerge Harding, of the Quaker City, are at the Hotel Duquesne. They will appear before United States Judge Acheson this morning to argue the case of the infringement suit of the Hussey

Manufacturing Company, of this city, versu

MORE BOY THIEVES.

Wm. Dearing & Co., the well-known Chicago manufacturer of mowing machines.

ago.

Hanlof Silk Handkerchiefs, Etc., Made in Clay Alley. Captain Mercer and Officer Bell last night arrested two boys named John Sanders and Edward Carson, after chasing them a mile from Clay alley. The boys were seen going into the alley with a lot of silk handkerchiefs, underwear, etc., which were supposed to have been stolen from J. Bruggeman, of No. 137 Wylie avenue, about two weeks

A WOMAN KNOCKED DOWN.

Robbed of Her Pocketbook, Containing \$38, on Washington Street. Mrs. W. McKeever, residing at the corner of Thirty-eighth street and Plum alley, while passing along Washington street, near the corner of Franklin, about 10:30 o'clock last night, was knocked down and robbed of her pocketbook, containing \$38. She was not hurt. The thieves escaped.

A Frightened Tenm. One of Arbuckle's teams, while waiting at the Ft. Wavne freight depot on Penn street, became frightened and plunged along the tracks, upsetting an unknown team, but doing no further mischief.

A Shave for 1-15 of a Cent. Colgate & Co., N. Y., will mail you a sample of Demulcent Shaving Soap sufficient for

LOOK OUT, GERMANY

A Terrific Gunpowder Invented by a Southside Chemist.

SUPERIOR TO FRENCH EXPLOSIVE.

\$200,000 for His Patent. FEARFUL FORCE OF THE NEW POWDER

Negotiating With Uncle Sam for a Cool

It is all well enough for Germany to have troubles in Alsace-Lorraine, and it is all well enough for Germany to have intentions upon England in Africa, but when Bismarck and the bloomin' young Emperor get to trifling with the affections of Miss Columbia in Samoa Uncle Sam is apt to become All this sounds apparently indefinite, but

it is most peculiarly to the point, when it is remembered that every individual patriotic citizen in the United States (and every citizen is patriotic) is keenly watching the progress of the unsettled settlement between Germany and America in regard to the Samoa question. A man on the Southside, at this critical juncture, arises and informs a paipitating

public that no one need be afraid of Germany, or any other nation that cannot speak with the Yankee twang. In fact he has invented a powder that puts in the shade the famous French powder, for which over a hundred German lives have been sacrificed in trying to fathom the secret of its ingredients. The Germans, it will be remembered, have succeeded in capturing several French guns in which the strange powerful powder is used, but they have not succeeded in analyzing the powder.

THE INVENTOR TALKS. That the secret of this powder has not only been fathomed, but improved upon, is shown by the inventions of John Hindmarsch, an expert roller and chemist in Oliver's Southside mills. The story of his invention, and his connection with the United States Government are best told by Mr. Hindmarsch, and vouched for by the

"I have a powder," said Mr. Hindmarsch. "that will throw a 38-caliber ball, a very small ball you will observe, through a half-inch steel plate at 500 yards, and through a twoinch oak plank at a distance of from one and one-half to two miles. I have done this with only 45 grains of my powder, where the United States military use 75 grains, with nothing like the execution.

"My powder is eight times stronger than the explosive used by the Government military, and if you know anything of powder you will realize the terrific force and utility of a safe powder eight times as strong as that now used. My powder has nothing to do with dynamite or nitro-glycerine, and is not dangerous to handle. It is almost smokeless, and at 100 yards you cannot hear the report of the gun; but I assure you, you will feel the tremendous force of the bullet.

been spending Sunday with Messrs. Miller "I have been experimenting with chemicals for 25 years, and while mixing two inand Sipley at the latter's celebrated stock gredients of my own for fireworks two years breeding farm in Venango county. ago, I made up my mind to try the effects of a third absolutely untested ingredient. of Secretary of the Navy under the new ad-ministration. He said last night he was very thankful for the kind editorial notices The effect was terrific, my mortar and pestle were blown to flinders, and my wife thought he had received from the newspapers in regard to the matter, but he excused himself, refraining to speak on the subject. As he

"The fearful force of this remarkably small mixture set me to thinking, and by years of hard work and constant tests, I have brought my powder to a perfection not equaled even by the famous mysterious French powder. The military, you know, use a 45 to 50 caliber, while I use only a 38 caliber. I am going to try a splendid Winchester rifle, but am having Remington make a gun especially for me.

AN EXPERT CALLED IN. "I don't know Huggins, our splendid shot in this city, but I am going to ask him to go through some trials with me, for I have long ago passed the experimental stage, and my powder is a fact. We shall certainly shoot the Winchester off first with a string, for I fear it will not be strong enough t stand even a very small quantity of my powder. When my new gun comes, made especially strong for the new powder, Mr. Huggins will be asked to test it in regard to force, quantity and accuracy. "I wrote a letter to the Secretary of War

telling him of the practical tests of my powder, and said also that I wanted the United States to have the first show at it, for I know it to be invaluable. "Secretary Endicott referred my letter at once to Charles S. Smith, Captain of the Ordnance Department, and Captain of the Ordnance Department, and Captain Smith wrote this letter as you see. The letter says that my report had been carefully considered, and if I would send a sample of the powder, they would test it and send me a written report. However, I am not sending any samples just now. I think I can mix the powder so it would be perfectly impossi-ble to analyze it, still they might happen to

do so, then where would I be without my patent. "My powder consists of but three ingredients. I pulverize these crude ingredients, mix them with water into a sort of dough, roll it out like paste and let it dry. When dry, I pulverize it again, and dry. When dry, I pulverize it again, and in this last pulverizing only a question of danger arises. Such safeguards, however. can be thrown around the process as to ob-viate all danger to human life, and

THE CHEAPNESS OF THE ARTICLE, after it is finished, is simply amazing. Beside that it is as safe as other powders to handle in the field outside of its terrible effects upon the enemy. When it is fin-ished it is a beautiful pink color and very

"As I said, the powder is eight times Philadelphia, two well-known attorneys of stronger than ordinary powder, and it possesses a peculiar virtue in that neither salt nor fresh water will injure it. Its utility will especially be found in its use with small arms, though someone will probably invent a cannon that will withstand its force. "I want a cool \$200,000 from the Government for my secret, and I think I will get it, for I am willing to go through any tests with them to show that it will do all and

more than I claim for it. I will conduct some public tests as soon as my special Remington gun is finished."
Mr. Hindmarsen is a Scotch-Englishman, a foreigner by birth, but an American to the core, and thinks if there is any trouble likely to arise between this and a foreign power, America should and will have the first say as to his remarkable in-vention. He will not, reasonably enough, say much about his powder, except as to its force and cheapness. From a few side remarks he allowed to slip, however, it may be that he has fathomed the secret and turned to practical use the heretolore mysterious power of coal dust or mill dust

AN \$8,000 BLAZE.

Green Bros'. Cork Factory and Brass Foundry Burned Down. The cork factory and brass foundry or Forty-first street, Lawrenceville, owned by Green Bros., were completely burned down yesterday morning. An alarm from box 75 came too late to do any good. The buildings were insured, and, with

Becoming somewhat anxious over the con-arrival of that long expected silver are perfect fitting and just right in weight.

Jos. Horne & Co.'s non-arrival of that long expected silver brick that is to be sold for the benefit of the cyclone sufferers, Superintendent Follans-bee telegraphed to Pueblo, Col., and re-ceived answer that it would be forwarded

their contents were worth about \$8,000.

AN OPENING SKIRMISH. BECOMING QUITE FAMOUS.

Held-Many Speeches Made.

tee of the Allegheny County Woman's

Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. H. C.

Rev. A. M. Hills made an address in which

he painted the dangers of the liquor traffic

in the most lurid terms. Mr. W.S. Fahey, of

Connecticut, said in his remarks that a sa-

loon keeper had said to him that the saloon

should be allowed to exist as well as the

church, as 32,000 people were interested in

the former and but 22,000 persons in the

Rev. Dr. McAllister, made an old-fash

anonymous letters, containing sneering allu-sions to the work in which he is engaged

W. C. T. U. Mrs. Campbell announced

that they would continue the meetings until June 18. The motion was put, however,

AS GOES SOUTH VERSAILLES.

That Township to be the First to Vote' or

Prohibition on February 19.

In South Versailles township the good

citizens will have the honor of being the

first to vote for prohibition or no prohibi-

Constable P. J. Murphy has sent ou

notices that at the regular municipal elec-

tion on February 19 a special election will

be held at the same time for liquor or no

The 150 voters of that classic township are

holding mass meetings at the grocery by the

railroad, and excitedly discussing the fate

of the township and necessarily of the

Temperance Against Prohibition.

Eccles Robinson, a strong adherent of

Murphy and temperance, in a long inter-

view yesterday, expressed himself emphati-

cally against the introduction of prohibition in this State. He stated that the constitu-

debatable, and believed that high license

Executive Prohibitionists Stirring.

decided yesterday to call a general meeting

of delegates here to plan the canvass of the

county for the Constitutional Amendment.

NOT THREE OF A KIND.

Congressmen Thomas, Hatch and Burnett in

Congressman Thomas, of Illinois, Hatch,

of Missouri, and Burnett, of Massachusetts,

Congressman Thomas is the most prom-

inent person mentioned, so far, for the office

tendered him, he would not say what he

Colonel Hatch, who is an ardent follower

of Democracy, said, in regard to what President Cleveland would do when he retired

"Mr. Cleveland will live like a gentleman

and behave himself for four years. Then he will bob up again, and he will just

smash things by making a clean sweep

HE CLAIMS \$81 DAMAGES.

nother Trouble Between Landford and

Would-Be Tennnt.

Doughty last night in the case of William

Spieler against L. Walter & Lang.

A hearing was held before Alderman

Last spring Spieler rented a house from

the latter, who are agents for Peter Walter,

paying \$1 on account. He was refused ad-

mittance to the house in April on the

ground that no written contract had been

made. He claims \$81 damages and the de-

A POLANDER CRUSHED.

The Probably Fatal Accident That Befell

n Mill Worker.

John Rice, a Pole, living at Twenty-

eighth street, Southside, was crushed be

tween some cars yesterday afternoon in the

yards at Jones & Laughlins' mill, and last

night was thought to be dying. He was

loading a buggy, which was across the main

track, when some cars was shoved in, doubling him under the large car.

FOR HORSE STEALING.

Forty-Seventh Street Man Who Failed to

Return a Nag.

Albert Moorhead, of Forty-seventh stree

was arrested yesterday on a charge of steal-

ing a horse from Jonas R. Johnston, a Wil-

kinsburg liveryman, on December 17. Moorhead represented himself as an em-ploye of the Philadelphia Company, it is

said, hired the horse and failed to return it.

No Office Building.

It was reported yesterday that H. C. Frick

the new Chairman of Carnegie, Phipps &

Co., had purchased ground on Penn avenue

near Garrison alley, and the company

would erect a large office building on the

site. The report was denied at the office of

Cheap, Delightful Tobogganing.

in good condition, and will be open after-noon and evening. The admission has been

reduced to 15 cents, as will be seen by an

His Check Cut Open.

Tony McCarthy, a laborer in Hussey,

Howe & Co's Mills, was struck in the face

by a running belt yesterday, and had his cheek laid open. Dr. Hieber, the attending

physician, says it is not serious, if lockjaw

Chief Marshal of the Parade.

has been chosen Chief Marshal of the pro

city on Washington's birthday.

cupancy by the 1st of next month.

posed parade of the Catholic societies in this

A New Station House.

ward is completed, and will be ready for oc-

rush for Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Price,

The Best \$5 00 Black Jackets.

INVALIDS call at 1102 Carson st. and be

Penn avenue Stores.

The new station house in the Seventeenth

Colonel Thomas Cosgrove, of Braddock

advertisement in this paper.

does not set in.

25 cents.

The toboggan slide at Recreation Park is

cision was reserved until next Monday.

across the country.'

State.

and carried with a hearty vote.

Campbell presided.

London Firm, With Others, Asking For The First of a Series of Meetings in the In-Space in the Exposition. terest of the Constitutional Amendmen The following letter, received at the office The first of a series of mass meetings in of the Exposition Society, shows how far and fast the work of newspapers has boomed the interest of the prohibition amendment,

was held last evening in the Fourth U. P. Church, corner of Montgomery and Arch the fame of the coming event: No. 167 PICCADILLY, OPPOSITE OLD BOND STREET, LONDON, January 12, 1889.

streets. About 700 persons were present. The gathering was held under the auspices To the Secretary of the Western Pennsylvania Ex-position Society, Pittsburg: of the Constitutional Amendment Commit

position Society, Pittsburg:

DEAR SIR—Being desirous of making an exhibit at your Exposition of our manufactures, we should like an allotment of space, 18x18 feet, to make a display. We are manufacturers of optical goods and jeweiry, and shall certainly make a creditable and ap interesting exhibit, and would therefore desire a good location for our space. In that case we should also make a working exhibit with our newest machinery for forming lenses. Awaiting your reply, we are, Yours truly,

L. K. LEON & Co.

This is but one of the many interesting letters from all parts of the country to be read at the meeting of the board this after-

CAN'T FIND HER HUSBAND.

ioned temperance speech, in which he pointed out the dangers of the liquor traffic. Dr. I. N. Hays said he had been receiving Mrs. Carl Yerks, a German Woman With Three Children, the Unfortunate. A German woman named Annie Yerks Rev. Dr. Fulton, Rev. Dr. Collins, B. C. Christie, Esq., Attorney McMasters and Mr. Alexander Cooper also made addresses. with three children, has been scouring the city for the past three days in search of her Dr. Collins moved before adjournment that another meeting be held shortly, to be arranged and called by the committee of the husband, Carl Yerks, who left Minneapolis Minn., some time since for this place in quest of work, and wrote her to come, say-

ing that he would meet her on her arrival at the depot.

They had previously lived in this city, and Mrs. Yerks has a brother-in-law here who is a street car conductor. Her sister's maiden name is Eva Coonenbaker. The lost husband can find his wife by applying to the police department on the Southside.

THE TRESTLE FINISHED.

Trains to be Run in and Out of the B. & O.

Depot in a Month. The trestle which leads into the new Baltimore and Ohio depot at the corner of Smithfield and Water streets has been completed. The ties and tracks are now being laid, and will be finished before the end of next week. The work is progressing risk their lives and limbs every time they next week. The work is progressing smoothly, and trains will be run out of the depot for Washington before March 4.

FURNITURE AT COST.

Henry Berger, 642 & 644 Liberty Street

Cor. Sixth Ave. We find ourselves compelled to offer large line of our stock in parlor and chamber suits; also in sideboards, bookcases, easy chairs, and cabinets at cost of manufacture, and some from twenty to thirty per cent below tionality of a prohibitory amendment was cost in order to immediately close out balance of our last season's patterns to make partments, which our carpenters are fitting The Prohibition Executive Committee up for the coming spring trade.

HENRY BERGER, Liberty street cor. Sixth ave.

BIG BARGAINS IN PIANOS AND ORGANS At the Palace of Music.

We have a number of odd styles of fine pianos and organs which we are closing out at remarkably low figures. It will pay you to investigate our offer of the above instru ments. We are about ready to take stock and will soon be placing our orders for our spring stock of instruments and will need were in the city last night on their way to Washington from Franklin, Pa. They had all our capacity for these new instruments. These are all No. 1 instruments and the

prices are extremely low. A number of good second-hand pianos and organs for sale very cheap. Call or address Mellon & Hoene,
Palace of Music, 77 Fifth ave.

We Welcome You. Yet another week of the clearance sale at Hamilton's piano and organ sales rooms, 91 and 93 Fifth avenue. Many have come in and bought from us for prices they were sur-prised at. We mean just what we say. We are selling pianos and organs at less prices and on easier terms than ever before, as those who have purchased from us within the last

month will assure you, and it's not on the second-hand and shop worn goods only, but the bright, new goods, consisting of the famous Decker Bros., Knabe, Fischer and other pianos and the Estey and Story &

Clark organs.

Come in and see us this week, if you want a bargain, and we assure you you will go one at S. Hamilton's 91 and 93 Fifth ave.

We advertised in the Sunday Dispatch to sell men's genuine English melton over coats, worth from \$12 to \$15 for \$3. The rus was even greater than we anticipated and we sold 'em out clean and clear. To-day we have another surprise in store. We shall offer (for to-day only) between 8 A. M. and 6 P. M. men's elegant cape overcoats made to sell from \$25 to \$40 for the unheard of low price of \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10. These over coats are just the thing for nobby dressers and have a detachable cape. Many of them are elegantly lined with fancy cloth linings, and when the cape is detached present the appearance of a stylish ulster

This low price holds good for to-day only, at the P. C. C. C., cor. Grant and Diamond sts., opp. the new Court House. Nine Hundred Bargains in Winter Wraps, In newmarkets, ulsters, peasant cloaks and raglans-\$20 00, \$15 00, \$10 00, \$5 00.

Come early to get one or more. JOS. HORNE & Co.'s

LIVER complaint cured free at 1102 Carson st., Southside. Ir you suffer from looseness of bowels, or

fever and ague, Angostura Bitters will cur-TO CLOSE UP PARTNERSHIP requires quick sales. SILKS and DRESS GOODS all re-

vised in price. CLOTHS and WOOLENS all revised DRESS GOODS of every description

all revised in price. Domestic and House Furnishing Goods, Table Linens, Napkins and Towels, all revised in price.

Cloak Department, containing many choice garments, so much revised that prices will astonish you, as all winter garments must be sold.

Trimmings, Handkerchiefs and Neckwear all revised in price. Winter Underwear, Gloves, Hostery, Cardigans and all neavy goods cut deep

BIBER & EASTON,

505 AND 507 MARKET STREET. I have this day sold my interest m the firm of

HEARD, BIBER & EASTON to my late partners, who will continue the business, assuming all liabilities

and interests connected therewith. JAMES B. HEARD.

THE SUGAR KING. Claus Spreckels Says One Hundred Millio Wouldn't Get Him in the Trust.

Claus Spreckels, the world-wide, wellknown sugar king, passed through the city last night on his way to San Francisco from the East. He is going to 'Frisco to arrange for the shipment of several cargoes of beet product from the Sandwich Islands to his new refineries near Brooklyn. While at the station last evening Mr. Spreckels said:

Am I in the sugar trust yet? Well, hardly yet. I would not take one hundred million dollars and go into the pool. No. I never tried to get in, but the trust has wanted me badly. I never knocked at the door, but they were after me. I do not know the condition of the trust, but I think it is going to pieces as fast as it can. The sugar business is in good shape, and the prospects for the manufacture of best sugar were never more encouraging. That has grown to be a great industry in this country.

My relations with King Kalakua and the Sandwich Islands are about the same. I expect that my share of the yield on the island this season will be over 60,000 tons of sugar.

In regard to the Samoan difficulty I think Bismarck will knock them out. This country does not want to get into a war with anybody, for the simple reason she has no defense. Before we go to fight we want a navy, and it is high time we had one. As a nation we should be ashamed of ourselves in this respect.

A RUMORED ADVANCE.

Iron Rates to Western Points May be Ad-

It is rumored, and not denied by agents. that the rates on iron will be advanced on the roads running west of Pittsburg on February 1. This will include the Baltimore and Ohio, the Panhandle, Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago, Pittsburg and Western and the Lake Shore. The rates are now 15 cents per hundred weight.

A shipper stated that one road had re-

fused to guarantee him iron rates on a ship-ment to be made after February 1. THEY DON'T LIKE IT.

Penn Avenue Residents Afraid of Injuries

on the Traction Cars. The citizens of the Seventeenth ward are omplaining against the Penn avenue cars, because the conductors, in their efforts to make good time, hardly stop the cars at all get on a car.

JOS. HORNE & CO.'S

PENN AVENUE STORES.

NINE HUNDRED

WINTER WRAPS

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CLOAK ROOM.

Prices are very low and it will be a good investment. \$5 buys an excellent Ulster or Newmarket; better ones at

Several hundred Seal Plush Wraps also, including Jackets, Coats, Mantles and Newmarkets. Then come the

Special values in Black Jackets at \$5

Is the place this week. The first comers

Don't forget the 900 Ulsters and New-

JOS. HORNE & CO.'S

PENN AVENUE STORES.

TO BE SOLD THIS WEEK -IN OUR-CLOAK ROOM.

\$10: still better at \$15; the \$20 ones are

and finest Jackets shown.

and \$10.

THE CLOAK ROOM will have the best choice

Tables are crowded every day.

The After Stock-Taking Bargain

WINTER WRAPS

Colored Cloth Jackets, \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$5-all reduced, and the most stylish